URS OPERATING SERVICES

1099 18TH STREET SUITE 710 DENVER, COLORADO 80202-1908 TEL: (303) 291-8200

FAX: (303) 291-8296

December 6, 2011

Ms. Sabrina Forrest U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 Mail Code: 8EPR-B 1595 Wynkoop Street Denver, Colorado 80202-1129

SUBJECT: START 3, EPA Region 8, Contract No. EP-W-05-050, TDD No. 1008-13

Trip Report-Revision 1-for August 2011 Sampling and Field Activities, Upper Animas Mining District, Silverton, San Juan County, Colorado

Dear Ms. Forrest:

Attached is one copy of the revised draft trip report for sampling and field activities conducted for the Upper Animas Mining District Site Reassessment. Field activities were conducted the week of August 22, 2011 and included source sample collection from the Gold King 7 Level Mine waste pile and calculation of the waste pile volume, evaluation of mineralogy in source mine waste piles, documentation of the surface water pathway from all identified sources, field documentation of fishing along the Animas River south of Silverton, and wetlands delineation and sensitive environment characterization on Cement Creek. The wetlands delineation and sensitive environment report will be submitted as a separate document.

This document is submitted for your review and comments.

If you have any questions, please call me at 303-291-8270.

Sincerely,

URS OPERATING SERVICES, INC.

Barry Hayhurst

Environmental Scientist

cc: Megan Adamczyk, Project Manager

Charles W. Baker/UOS (w/o attachment)

File/UOS

EPA ACTION BLUCK
has he as the and the result as
Approved
Approved, TDD to follow
Approved as corrected
O Disapproved
Review with
Original to
O Copy to
Reply envelope enclosed
12/07/11 Salvert Town
Date By